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SUBJECT: MIYAZAWA HANDLING OF KIM DONG WOON CASE

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1. DURING NOV 5 CONVERSATION, EMBOFF ASKED NORTHEAST ASIA DIVDIR ENDO HOW GOJ WAS HANDLING MIYAZAWA AGREEMENT IN DIET TO REQUEST KIM DONG WOON PRESENCE IN JAPAN. ENDO REPLIED THAT FONMIN HAD MADE FURTHER STATEMENT IN UPPER HOUSE NOVEMBER 1 THAT SUBJECT OF KIM DONG WOON CASE WOULD BE DISCUSSED "SINCERELY" WITH ROK. HOW THIS "SINCERE" DISCUSSION WAS TO OCCUR AND THROUGH WHAT CHANNELS, ENDO WOULD NOT SAY. THIS FONMIN'S PROBLEM. DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS HAVE BEEN CLOSED ON THIS ISSUE SINCE THE SETTLEMENT REACHED IN JULY, HE NOTED.

2. ROK EMBASSY IN TOKYO REGARDS MIYAZAWA'S STATEMENT AS MATTER BETWEEN DIET AND GOJ. ACCORDING TO ROK POLCOUNS KIM EI MYUNG, GOJ HAS NOT MADE "FORMAL" APPROACH ON SUBJECT OF KIM DONG WOON.

3. COMMENT: AS WAS CASE IN SEOUL (REFTEL), WE SUSPECT
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MIYAZAWA STATEMENT HAS BEEN SUBJECT OF "INFORMAL" CONVERSATIONS

BETWEEN FONOFF AND ROK EMBASSY HERE. THE DISTINCTION
BETWEEN FORMAL AND INFORMAL APPROACHES GIVES MIYAZAWA
A LITTLE ROOM FOR MANEUVER. HE CAN SAY MATTER HAS BEEN
DISCUSSED WITHOUT ROK NEEDING TO CONSIDER THAT IT HAS
BEEN APPROACHED. WHETHER THIS WILL BE ENOUGH TO
SQUEEZE PAST FURTHER QUESTIONS IN THE DIET SEEMS
DOUBTFUL. ALL PROFESSIONALS CONCERNED WITH ROK-JAPAN
RELATIONS HOPE PROBLEM WILL GO AWAY, BUT WE DON'T THINK
OPPOSITION WILL EASILY PASS UP SURE FIRE WAY TO EMBARRASS
GOVERNMENT.
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